

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Victor SMIT et al.

Group Art Unit: 1648

Application No.: 08/807,506

Examiner: A. Boesen

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Confirmation No. 5096

Customer No.: 42798

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Date: August 12, 2009

Sir:

Further to Applicant's previously filed Information Disclosure Statements, the Examiner's attention is respectfully invited to the following:

1. The EPO counterpart was opposed (see attached NPL doc 1), the opposer thereafter withdrew the opposition (NPL doc 2), and the EPO issued a decision (NPL doc 3) that the opposition proceedings are canceled.

2. The related Australian application has apparently been allowed. See the allowed claims (NPL document 4 and NPL doc 5).

3. In an effort to ensure the present Examiner is apprised of information that may have been cited in related cases, as well as in the present case, Applicant prepared a document that lists reference citations by 'agencies' (patent office), copy attached as NPL doc 6.

The foregoing materials are enclosed herewith and were received by the undersigned within the last week. It is not known when Applicant became aware of the materials, and

therefore the Commissioner is authorized to charge an IDS petition fee charged to our deposit account 06-1135 regarding our order number 8524/71226 to ensure consideration of this paper and its attachments.

Acknowledgment of the information disclosed herewith in the next official communication is respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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